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SUMMARY.

In consequence of Government assistance there was a rally on the New York Stock Exchange on Tuesday.

The Navigation Conference was opened in London on Tuesday, and has been adjourned to April 4.

Sir William Leake in an address asked that British vessels trading on the Australian coast should accept local conditions.

Australia, he stated, stood strong views with regard to the employment of coloured seamen.

The British Customs will not in future detain Australian leather for sampling.

There will be no duty charged on sugar in leather where the loading does not exceed 10 per cent.

M. Pichon, French Minister for Foreign Affairs, has delivered a speech regarding Franco-Australian relations.

He said that France was determined to settle the Sultan to observe orders and to respect the rights of the French.

French troops have occupied Uda (Morocco). The inhabitants appear uncontented.

In connection with the Thaur trial, a commission of inquiry has been appointed to determine the mental condition of the prisoner.

There has been much rioting and looting in towns in Southern France.

Calais, the chief port, was entered by a mob of peasants. Troops fired a volley, killing 15 of them and wounding many.

Four hundred peasants are marching to Boulogne, where a state of siege has been declared.

The trouble is largely due to trusts monopolising land and leasing it to peasants at twice and three times the rentals which the trusts pay.

Lord Rosebery has delivered a speech, in which he criticised the Government's policy.

His approbation regarding the Government was that it should make too many impossible promises.

There were two things Great Britain would not tolerate, a tax on foodstuffs and a separate Parliament in Ireland.

The price of copper at London has fallen 4½ in a fortnight.

The position of the metal is regarded as sound as stocks are small.

Yugoslavia, capital of Belgrade, has been captured by the Bulgarians.

The consumption of beer, wine, and spirits in the United Kingdom in 1906 shows a reduction on former years.

The death is announced of Professor Ernst von Bergmann, the distinguished German surgeon.

The London wool sales on Tuesday afternoon were postponed on account of a fog.

The Royal Agricultural Society's Show was opened by Lord Northcliffe yesterday.

Though there were thick winds and rain, the attendance at the exhibition exceeded 10,000.

Among the chief attractions were the parade of stock, trotting and jumping contests.

At the banquet the Governor-General spoke of the progress of the country and the increase in various productions.

There was a strong southerly gale, with heavy seas, on Wednesday yesterday.

The heavy rain on the North Coast has caused delays in the running of trains.

In the cricket match at Fremantle, Western Australia scored 185 in the second innings against New South Wales.

The last five wickets fell for 12. New South Wales, winning 136 to win, got 176 for eight wickets. Play was suspended on Tuesday.

An attempt is being made to recover the cargo of copper ore from the steamer Thomas Andrew, which foundered near Paterson Islands some years ago.

For keeping a betting shop a man was fined £20 at Brisbane yesterday, and an assistant £25.

Springfield, in a mile winning handicap at Brisbane, beat R. Hooley's recently-made winner's record of 1m 7.5s for three-quarters of a mile by 2-5s.

Diver Hughes expects to get the entombed miner at Bonnie Vale (W.A.) to the surface by noon today.

The water in the mine has been falling at the rate of a foot per hour.

Hughes intends to chat with the entombed man this morning, and if he is fit for the try, will order him to undergo to reach the surface.

At a public meeting at Newcastle yesterday a touristic association for the city and district was formed.

During the voyage of the barque Inverloch from East London (Africa) to Wallaroo the second mate, S. G. Frank, 28, was killed by a fall on the deck.

At Drumuck (Vic.) Mr. Humm Cook, M.P., was prosecuted for neglecting to cause his daughter to be vaccinated within six months of her birth.

Two schoolboys who had strong conscientious objections to vaccination, was fined 20s, and 2s 6d costs.

The Marine Court at Fremantle yesterday heard evidence regarding the master of the wrecked steamer Albatross.

Captain Thomas, the master, expressed the opinion that the vessel was carried out of her course by a strong current from the west.

The decision of the Court was reserved till today.

At the Junior races the Cup was won by Glimmer.

The Premier yesterday discussed with Mr. Waddell the proposals for coalition of parties.

A Finnish sailor was assaulted by three men at Port Adelaide, and succumbed to the injuries received.

Over 5000 persons travelled by the cheap excursion trains to Sydney in the past few days.

The total in 1905 in excess of last year.

There was a slightly higher percentage of first-class passengers.

Sir John Forrest, Acting Prime Minister, will visit Sydney next week.

A man for stealing two shillings from the clothes of a bathers at Manly Beach was yesterday at the Water Police Court sentenced to six months' hard labour.

Two complaints of loss of money and articles by surf-bathers, a considerable amount of money, which were afterwards found concealed in the turn-up of accusers' trousers.

Reports from Cooktown state that the steamer Thomas is still on the reef, but she is safe.

The work of lightening the cargo has been continued. It was expected the vessel would be refloated last night.

The Victorian team of bowlers will arrive at Sydney this morning, and the Queensland team will be in Sydney on Tuesday.

The official reception of the visitors will take place at the Waverley grounds on Saturday.

A boy, Austin Lequeux, 13, and his mother arrived from Gunderich yesterday morning and went to the Grand Central Hotel.

In the afternoon the lad was found lying on the pavement, having, it is supposed, fallen from a second-story window. His skull was fractured.

During the voyage of the barque Antares from Dramann to Port Adelaide, a sailor fell from the deck into the sea and was lost.

A week later the steward died. The cause of death was stated to be heart disease.

Two blackbills were convicted at Port Darwin of the murder of Mr. Bradshaw at Port Keok, and recommended to mercy. They were sentenced to death.

A disease, supposed to be anthrax, has occurred among cattle on an estate in the Wiggins district.

Eighteen animals have succumbed, and a number of other cattle are affected.

The R.M.S. Sierra will leave Sydney at 1 o'clock this afternoon for San Francisco.

On Chicago yesterday the sales of investment stocks were few.

Business in the mining market was restricted, owing to the falling of tin metal values.

Prices, however, did not decline much Wednesday as the part of scrip-holders.

SHIPPING.

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MOHAWK	Second	W. J. H. H. H.	Wed. 27	Thurs. 28
VICTORIA	First	W. J. H. H. H.	Thurs. 28	Fri. 29
VICTORIA	Second	W. J. H. H. H.	Thurs. 28	Fri. 29
MOHAWK	First	W. J. H. H. H.	Fri. 29	Sat. 30
MOHAWK	Second	W. J. H. H. H.	Fri. 29	Sat. 30
VICTORIA	First	W. J. H. H. H.	Sat. 30	Sun. 31
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MOHAWK	Second	W. J. H. H. H.	Tue. 2	Wed. 3
VICTORIA	First	W. J. H. H. H.	Wed. 3	Thurs. 4
VICTORIA	Second	W. J. H. H. H.	Wed. 3	Thurs. 4
MOHAWK	First	W. J. H. H. H.	Thurs. 4	Fri. 5
MOHAWK	Second	W. J. H. H. H.	Thurs. 4	Fri. 5
VICTORIA	First	W. J. H. H. H.	Fri. 5	Sat. 6
VICTORIA	Second	W. J. H. H. H.	Fri. 5	Sat. 6
MOHAWK	First	W. J. H. H. H.	Sat. 6	Sun. 7
MOHAWK	Second	W. J. H. H. H.	Sat. 6	Sun. 7
VICTORIA	First	W. J. H. H. H.	Sun. 7	Mon. 8
VICTORIA	Second	W. J. H. H. H.	Sun. 7	Mon. 8
MOHAWK	First	W. J. H. H. H.	Mon. 8	Tue. 9
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MOHAWK	Second	W. J. H. H. H.	Fri. 12	Sat. 13
VICTORIA	First	W. J. H. H. H.	Sat. 13	Sun. 14
VICTORIA	Second	W. J. H. H. H.	Sat. 13	Sun. 14
MOHAWK	First	W. J. H. H. H.	Sun. 14	Mon. 15
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MOHAWK	First	W. J. H. H. H.	Thurs. 18	Fri. 19
MOHAWK	Second	W. J. H. H. H.	Thurs. 18	Fri. 19
VICTORIA	First	W. J. H. H. H.	Fri. 19	Sat. 20
VICTORIA	Second	W. J. H. H. H.	Fri. 19	Sat. 20
MOHAWK	First	W. J. H. H. H.	Sat. 20	Sun. 21
MOHAWK	Second	W. J. H. H. H.	Sat. 20	Sun. 21
VICTORIA	First	W. J. H. H. H.	Sun. 21	Mon. 22
VICTORIA	Second	W. J. H. H. H.	Sun. 21	Mon. 22
MOHAWK	First	W. J. H. H. H.	Mon. 22	Tue. 23
MOHAWK	Second	W. J. H. H. H.	Mon. 22	Tue. 23
VICTORIA	First	W. J. H. H. H.	Tue. 23	Wed. 24
VICTORIA	Second	W. J. H. H. H.	Tue. 23	Wed. 24
MOHAWK	First	W. J. H. H. H.	Wed. 24	Thurs. 25
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VICTORIA	First	W. J. H. H. H.	Thurs. 25	Fri. 26
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VICTORIA	First	W. J. H. H. H.	Sat. 27	Sun. 28
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MOTHER GOOSE.

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NAVIGATION CONFERENCE.

OPENED ON TUESDAY.
SPEECH BY SIR WILLIAM LYNE.
WHAT AUSTRALIA DEMANDS.

LONDON, March 27.
The Navigation Conference of representatives of Great Britain and the colonies was opened yesterday in the Foreign Office.

Those were present:—
Government: Four representatives of the Board of Trade, two representatives of the Colonial Office.
Shipowners: Mr. Kenneth Anderson (Orient Royal Mail Line), Mr. L. F. Fernie, Mr. Norman Hill.
Seamen: Mr. Havelock Wilson, M.P. (Labour), Mr. D. J. Conner.

Australia: Sir William Lyne (Minister for Customs), Mr. Douglas Thomson, M.P., Mr. W. M. Hughes, M.P., and Dr. Wollaston, Comptroller of Customs.

New Zealand: Sir Joseph Ward (Premier), Mr. J. Mills, and Mr. Delehor.
PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS.
Mr. Lloyd George, President of the Board of Trade, presided. He welcomed the delegates, and explained the objects of the conference. He said that although the motherland moved slower than the colonies, yet it moved very fast last year in the Merchant Shipping Act and the Workmen's Compensation Act, which anticipated many of the recommendations of the Australian Royal Commission, notably in improving the amenities of life at sea.

Mr. Lloyd George suggested that the conference should be confined chiefly to questions of principle, forming a basis for the practical solution of the issues between the motherland and the colonies. He emphasized the desirability of uniformity of shipping legislation. The only difficulty was in finding a standard embodying a practicable arrangement acceptable to all parties.

SPEECH BY SIR JOSEPH WARD.
Sir Joseph Ward (New Zealand) acknowledged the kindly welcome of Great Britain. Sprightly words enabled the colonies to avoid the legislative mistakes of the old country and enabled them to move much faster.

New Zealand rightly claimed a share in the internal working of the Empire's laws. He realized the stupendous difficulty of framing legislation applicable to the merchant shipping of the world, and he felt sure that a practical result of the conference would be better protection of shipowners and seamen.

Sir Joseph Ward hoped that the New Zealand Act would be the basis for any suggested improvements of the Imperial laws. New Zealand would accept no retrogression, but was willing to adopt improvements.

SIR WILLIAM LYNE'S VIEWS.
Sir William Lyne (Australia) said that the conference rendered it easier to understand the difficulties which beset the enactment of uniform shipping laws, and rendered it easier to find a solution. While desirous of recognizing the interests of the Imperial Government and of British shipowners, he felt bound to state that due regard must be paid to the difference in the conditions in Australia, where the rate of payment to seamen was much higher than in Great Britain.

Sir William Lyne referred to Australia's extensive coastline. Australia asked that British vessels trading on the coast should accept local conditions. She also held strong views with regard to the employment of coloured seamen.

Sir William Lyne then analyzed the provisions of the New Zealand Act, of the latest British Act, of the Australian Bill of 1904, and of the recommendations of the Australian Royal Commission. He drew pointed attention to the fact that the New Zealand Act contained nearly all that the Commonwealth was asking. The British Act also went a considerable way, though not as far as Australia hoped and intended to go. Great Britain had already made a great advance in regard to air space, wages, and other points, improving the conditions of seamen. Australia was especially desirous regarding the subjects of wages, the employment of coloured seamen, and the improvement of the general condition of seamen.

The Commonwealth Government, Sir William Lyne continued, had prepared a bill based on the report of the Royal Commission. Australia was not likely to be satisfied with anything less than that bill. Discussing details referring to the survey of passenger and cargo ships, Sir William Lyne said that the question was raised whether the standards affecting the hulls, machinery, boilers, and life-saving appliances established by the Board of Trade could be accepted for British ships throughout the Empire.

The conference adjourned to April 4.

AUSTRALIAN OPINION.
Sir William Lyne considers that the British feeling is temperate and conciliatory.

Sir Joseph Ward is very pleased with the prospects of the conference.

AGGRESSIVE FOREIGN POLICY.
The "Times" in a leader on the opening of the Navigation Conference, emphasizes the altered conditions of shipping, the aggressive policy and legislation of foreign Powers, and the need of a united development of the component parts of the Empire along parallel lines.

The "Times" rejoices in perceiving indications of a disposition calculated to make discussion profitable.

INSURRECTION IN ROUMANIA.
AGAINST LAND MONOPOLISTS.

LONDON, March 26.
Four thousand peasants of the Vasilin and neighbouring districts are marching to Bucharest, the capital, where a state of siege has been declared.

The troops have been ordered to use sharpshooters if the peasants will not disperse.

There has been much rioting and looting in other towns, and 150 rioters were shot dead at Alexandria.

A mob of peasants entered Galata, the chief port of Roumania. The troops fired a volley at them, killing 15, and wounding many.

The trouble with the peasants in Roumania is only partly anti-Semitic. It is largely due to a trusts monopolistic land, and leasing it to peasants at twice and three times the rental which the trusts pay.

BRITISH CABINET POLICY.

LORD ROSEBERY AS CANDID FRIEND.
AN OVERLOADED PROGRAMME.
BETWEEN SOCIALISM AND CONSERVATISM.

LONDON, March 27.
The Earl of Rosebery, speaking at a council meeting of the Liberal League, as its president, said that although a Government emerging from an election with a great majority was entitled to something like a free hand, at any rate in the first year of its existence, the vigilant activity of the League was never more necessary than now.

Lord Rosebery said he would speak quite frankly regarding the Government. He owed the Government no confidence. He had no connection, secret or open, with it. He was not sure whether he even owed it the common courtesy of life.

He said that he considered that the Government had surmounted great difficulties with extraordinary success, and came to the second session inaugurated by the experience of the first.

IMPOSSIBLE PROMISES.
The vice-presidents of the league (Mr. Asquith, Sir Henry Fowler, Sir Edward Grey, and Mr. R. B. Haldane) had carried into the Government the principle of efficiency which the League so loudly demanded in the middle of the Boer war.

His apprehension regarding the Government concerned not its past or its composition, but lest it should make too many impossible promises. The Government had pledged itself to do the impossible by proposing this year to do something terrible with the Lords, to deal with temperance, with land reform, with the army, and with Ireland.

DANGERS TO THE PARTY.
His second apprehension, Lord Rosebery said, was lest the party through some members should be permanently connected with hostility to property in all its forms.

If so, ere long the party would be squeezed out of the House of Commons. He emphasized the fact that the rock on which Liberal Governments split when defeated at a General Election had arisen from an apprehension of their attack on property rather than from any other cause.

This friendly warning, Lord Rosebery continued, would possibly be interpreted as the croakings of a retired raven on a withered branch.

INTOLERABLE PROPOSALS.
Lord Rosebery proceeded to criticize the introduction of the Irish system of the dual ownership of land in Great Britain.

He reviewed the Ministerial utterances on Home Rule, from which he inferred that the Government considered this an open question. Open questions were dangerous, and were apt to produce formidable breaches.

Lord Rosebery added that there were two things Great Britain would never tolerate:—a tax on food stuffs and separate Parliament in Ireland. The very party was almost entirely identified with the one. The Liberal party was too largely identified with the other.

PERILS OF IRISH LEGISLATION.
Lord Rosebery said he anticipated that the Irish Bill to be brought in by the Government would not be extreme or violent. Probably it would be chiefly administrative. In that case the Liberal League would be able to support the bill, but not if an independent Parliament was the ultimate goal of the Government. Whereas we delighted to see self-government united to its motherland, only by the Crown in Australia and Canada, it was a very different matter when it was in a contiguous island, priding itself on the dilatory of its public deliberations. He did not believe that we should hear further of Mr. Bryce's valdettory university scheme for Ireland.

DISSENTIENT PARTY MEN.
The "Times," in commenting upon the Earl of Rosebery's speech, draws a parallel between the position of Lord Rosebery in the Liberal party and that of the Duke of Devonshire in the Conservative party.

A BOMB OUTRAGE.
INTENDED VICTIM'S ESCAPE.

LONDON, March 26.
A young man dropped a bomb in a street at Warsaw. The explosion killed one of the bystanders, besides injuring himself and four others.

It is believed that the bomb was intended for the colonel of Gendarmes, who was expected to pass.

THE TRAW TAIL.
LUNACY COMMISSION APPOINTED.

LONDON, March 27.
In connection with the trial of Harry Thaw, at New York, on a charge of murder, Mr. Justice Fitzgerald has appointed a Commission in Lunacy to determine the mental condition of the accused.

SOMALILAND AGREEMENT.
Great Britain and Italy have entered into an agreement simplifying their reciprocal relations in Somaliland. The agreement will ensure greater efficiency in any punitive measures.

LONDON, March 27.
Yesterday Wall-street rallied on Mr. G. B. Cortelyou, Secretary to the Treasury, taking measures to relieve the pressure.

SUGAR IN LEATHER.
LONDON, March 27.

The Customs authorities have informed the Agents-General that in future the amounts will not detain Australian customs for sampling, and it will not charge duty on sugar in leather where the loading does not exceed 10 per cent.

THE WOOL SALES.
LONDON, March 26.

The wool sales for this afternoon were postponed, owing to a fog.

MISRULE IN MOROCCO.

FRANCE INTERVENES.
OCCUPATION OF UJDA.
FOREIGN MINISTER EXPLAINS SITUATION.

LONDON, March 27.
M. Pichon, French Minister for Foreign Affairs, made a resolute speech in the Chamber of Deputies yesterday on the present relations between France and Morocco. M. Pichon enumerated French grievances against Morocco.

M. Pichon said that two French Customs officials were murdered on the frontier in February, 1906. Only one of the criminals was surrendered. The murderers of M. Charbonnier were known, yet the authorities refused to arrest them, and replied impolitely to the claims of France.

The situation had become intolerable. M. Pichon continued, and after the murder of Dr. Mouchamps, at Marrakech, France determined to oblige the Sultan to observe order and legality as far as included the demand and imprisonment of the Governor of Marrakech.

M. Pichon showed that the action of France was strictly limited. He strongly deprecated mutual hostility and executive competition among Europeans in Morocco, and he hoped that there would now be a wholesale change of heart.

M. Ribot supported the Foreign Minister. The Chamber unanimously passed a vote of confidence in the action of M. Pichon.

UJDA OCCUPIED.
There are indications that France will occupy Ujda, in Morocco, just over the Algerian border, without meeting any resistance.

Later, Ujda has been occupied by French troops. The inhabitants appear unconcerned.

EUROPEANS IN DANGER.
LONDON, March 26.

The French and the Sherifs at Marrakech are including the populace against the French colony, who have taken refuge in the Jewish quarter.

THE WAGLAFF WILL CASE.
JUDGMENT FOR MRS. JALLAND.

LONDON, March 27.
In the Chancery Division of the High Court of Justice, Mr. Justice Kekewich yesterday delivered judgment in the case brought by relatives of the testator disputing the will of Jean Paul Waglaff, which was largely in favour of his supposed widow, Mrs. Dorothy Josephine Jalland, whom he had married knowing that her husband was alive.

The judgment was in favour of Mrs. Jalland.

Mrs. Dorothy Josephine Jalland was arrested on her own confession and charged with bigamy in marrying James Paul Waglaff, her husband, in 1903, after he had been declared dead. It was stated that at the time of the marriage, and for long before, Waglaff knew that Jalland was alive. Waglaff died on September 2, 1903, and in his will, which disposed of an estate of about £170,000, left his property to his wife, Mrs. Dorothy Josephine Jalland, who was known during her widowhood, and subject to her interest in trust for his children. Rumours of the marriage reached the ears of relatives, who commenced an action to annul the will, and Mrs. Jalland thereupon confessed to bigamy. At the Central Criminal Court, the Recorder, on the evidence being explained, sentenced her to three years' imprisonment, with hard labour, for the bigamy, which meant that the testator's will had expired before it was actually recorded.

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SOCIAL REFORM.

READJUSTMENT OF TAXATION.
LONDON, March 27.

Mr. H. H. Asquith, Chancellor of the Exchequer, in the House of Commons last night, accepted the spirit and the letter of a resolution moved by Mr. E. N. Bennett (Liberal) declaring that it was necessary to readjust the burden of taxation in order to reform.

Mr. J. W. Hills (Unionist) denied that Ministerialists would be able to finance their social programme under the free-trade system.

Mr. Bennett's resolution was agreed to.

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL CABLES.

BANKS AND AUSTRALIAN STOCKS.
LONDON, March 26.

Bank of Australia, 14 lower, 97, 98, 99. Bank of New South Wales, unchanged, 97, 98, 99.

National Bank of New Zealand, unchanged, 97, 98, 99.

Bank of New Zealand, 4 per cent, guarantee stock, new issue, unchanged at 102.

Bank of New Zealand, 1 lower, 97, 98, 99.

New Zealand, 4 per cent, 1 lower at 95.

City of Melbourne, 4 per cent, 97, 98, 99.

Melbourne Harbour Trust, 4 per cent, bonds, unchanged, at 104.

Melbourne Tramway Trust, 4 per cent, debentures, unchanged, at 104.

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SECOND EDITION.

COPPER RECOVERING.
LONDON, March 27, 1.45 p.m.

At the opening of the market this morning copper recovered almost 12s, the quotations being:—
On spot, 60s, a 60s 5s per ton, an advance of 12s 10s; at three months, 610s 10s, a 10s, an advance of 12s 10s 6d.

AUSTRALIAN TALLOW SALES.
LONDON, March 27.

At the sales of Australian and New Zealand tallow today 836 casks were offered, and 115 were sold. Prices were inclined to be easier than those of last week.

MILITARY.

A LARGE CONTRACT.
MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

The contract for 36 ammunition wagons and 1600 for 18-pounder guns for the defence corps, which tenders have been under the consideration of the Department of Defence, will probably fall to a Victorian firm, Messrs. Johnstone, Brown, and Co., of South Melbourne. It is understood that the price will be slightly in advance of the current market price.

In that case the contract will amount to something over £25,000.

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